

PRICE ONE CENT.

COLER QUILTS
IN A HUFF.

Because Montauk Club Didn't Invite Him as Special Guest at Grout Dinner.

WANTED HEAD OF TABLE

Receiving Ordinary Invitation, He Did Not Attend, and Now Resigns from Club.

Because he believes he was slighted by not being invited as special guest to the dinner given to Comptroller-elect Grout by the Montauk Club in Brooklyn recently, Comptroller Coler has resigned from that organization.

The dinner was held a week ago last Saturday night and was a repetition of the compliment tendered to Mr. Grout when he was elected President of the Borough of Brooklyn a few years ago.

The spread was attended by many politicians, and Mr. Coler's absence aroused considerable comment in view of the fact that he had been a member of the organization for some time.

When his friends asked for an explanation of his non-appearance, Mr. Coler said it would have been an indignity for him to have attended.

Although he received the customary invitation sent to all members, Mr. Coler held that he should have been invited to sit at the head table, especially when the guest of the evening was the man who was to succeed him in office. The dignity of the office, he believes, entitled him to the consideration he did not receive.

Officials of the Montauk Club, however, do not see why the Comptroller should have been favored with a special invitation. The friends of the Comptroller are unanimous in the belief that he acted in the right.

During the dinner Comptroller Coler was highly complimented by Mr. Grout for his efficient administration and for knocking out the Ramapo grab.

The Comptroller and his successor are very warm friends.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 5 P. M. Tuesday for New York City and vicinity: Cloudy and unsettled weather to-night and Tuesday; fresh south to southwest winds.

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The steam lighter Little Egypt followed and lost a spar. By this time the workmen on the bridge noticed the trouble, and the obstructions were cut at both ends. It fell into the river. It is valued at \$60.

MINE WORKERS' CONVENTION

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—John Mitchell, President of the United Mine Workers of America, to-day issued the call for the National Convention of miners in this city for Jan. 20, and the joint conference of the mine workers and bituminous operators in Indiana, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Ohio. The conference begins Jan. 20, and will continue ten days. The miners' convention proper will be in session ten days, and over 1,000 delegates will attend.

RATS CAUSE QUARANTINE.

HAMBURG, Dec. 23.—A Levant line steamer, which recently arrived here, has been quarantined owing to the discovery on board the vessel of the bodies of a number of rats which had died from bubonic plague.

WITHDRAWAL OF LOCAL REVEREND TICKETS BY PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

At the close of business Dec. 21, 1901, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company withdrew the reversible excursion tickets now on sale between New York, Newark, Elizabeth and Interlaken, and in their stead will place on sale the usual excursion tickets good for passage in one direction only.

At the same time the 50-trip card ticket place on sale which will be valid for any member of the family or visiting friends.

MISCHANCE
OF JUSTICE.

Hochstim's Conviction Thus Termed by Justice Gaynor in Granting Stay.

HE SCORES McCULLAGH.

Declares Deputy Who Arrested Mochs Was Guilty of Assault and Battery.

"Mochs, the invincible," gets another chance. Maybe he won't have to do hard labor stunts at Sing Sing after all.

The chance has come to Mochs Hochstim, valiant Eighth Ward henchman, in the form of a certificate of reasonable doubt handed down to-day by Justice Gaynor in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn.

Justice Gaynor in his decision granting the certificate of reasonable doubt, says:

"I am unable to see this conviction otherwise than as a most incredible miscarriage of justice. The trial, instead of showing this defendant to be guilty of the crime charged against him, seems to me to show him to be guilty of nothing and to reveal the complaint against him as guilty of a criminal offense of the most grave and dangerous character of the community, and yet the defendant finds himself convicted in a court of justice of an alleged felony while the complainant has not been even called to order or accused."

Justice Gaynor decides in effect that a McCullagh deputy has no right to arrest an intending voter before he has cast his ballot.

That the deputy who arrested Hochstim was guilty of assault and battery. That the offense of hindering a deputy as defined in the Metropolitan Election District Statute does not constitute a felony.

Justice Gaynor also severely scores Superintendent of Elections McCullagh for what he terms his arbitrary exercise of power.

When Judge Cowing sentenced Hochstim to the penitentiary on Dec. 14 for interfering with a McCullagh deputy at election time and thus adding illegal voting, there was a gasp of despairing astonishment in "de Ate" Ward. But Mochs, the resourceful one, through his lawyers, applied to Justice Gaynor for a certificate of reasonable doubt, and to-day the Justice handed down a favorable decision.

This will enable the crafty Mochs to get released on bail and enjoy the hospitality of "de Ate" until the Court of Appeals takes up his case.

BRIDGE CABLE WHITS VESSELS

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WELCOME FOR SCHLEY.

Many Attentions Paid Admiral on Trip from Washington to New York.

Admiral Schley, accompanied by Mrs. Schley, arrived in New York this afternoon from Washington. They will spend the holidays with their married daughter, Mrs. Worth, at No. 65 West Eighty-fifth street.

The Admiral and his wife reached the Pennsylvania station in Jersey City at 2:45 o'clock. On the way from Washington the passengers on the train, learning the identity of their distinguished fellow traveler, crowded to his car and insisted upon shaking his hand and wishing him the compliments of the season.

He was recognized in the railroad station, too, particularly by a crowd of school-girls coming from the South to spend the holidays in New York. These young persons gathered around him and gurgled and chirped until the old warrior was almost embarrassed.

On the ferryboat New Brunswick, which Admiral Schley took to the foot of West Twenty-third street, an Evening World reporter had a talk with the Santiago victor. He refused to discuss the republican and to discuss his own case in any way.

My mouth is closed absolutely for the time being, and I am here to enjoy myself and have absolutely nothing to say to any one.

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HOCHSTIM BAILED BY ENGEL.

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"I will fight Perry Belmont with all the energy of which I am possessed," said Police Commissioner Murphy to an Evening World reporter to-day. "I would fight any man who tried to come into that district and get the nomination for Congress when he lived in another county."

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The leader favored Louis Levitt, a protégé of Tim Sullivan. Despite his backing, Levitt is a comparative stranger in the district, and when his name was sprung at Friday's meeting a riot was almost created. Lawyer Gus Rogers and Alderman Max Forges, two popular men in the district, went the position, but it was generally admitted to-day that "Perry" Sullivan would be decided on as a compromise candidate.

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THROWN FROM TROLLEY CAR

Sugar Planter of Honolulu Killed in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Archibald Gillison, a Honolulu sugar planter, who was visiting relatives here, died in a hospital to-day from a fractured skull. He was accidentally thrown from a trolley car last night. Mr. Gillison was a native of this city, but went to Hawaii thirty-seven years ago and had been here since. He intended returning to Honolulu after the Christmas holidays.

17 POLICEMEN
TO BE INDICTED

Three of Glennon's Witnesses Already Accused—Big Shake-Up of Police Captains.

The conviction of Wardman Glennon has created a wave of consternation in the Police Department.

Three indictments against policemen were returned by the Grand Jury this afternoon; Capt. Flood was transferred from the Tenderloin to Alexander avenue, and Capt. Sheehan, a Roosevelt man, was sent down to take his place.

Five other Captains were transferred and Patrolman Patrick Cox, of the Tenderloin, was not only indicted, but was suspended without pay by Commissioner Murphy.

The three indictments were returned against Cox, Detective-Sergeant Darcy and Detective-Sergeant Shoenick.

These men testified in defense of Glennon and swore that the house of Laura Maurer at No. 148 West Thirty-third street was not disorderly. They

are indicted for neglect of duty in failing to report this house.

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MURPHY'S CHOICE NOW ROOSEVELT'S MEN.

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SCHWAB GEMS ARE HELD UP

Three of Millionaire's Valuable Diamonds Seized by Government Authorities.

Charles M. Schwab, President of the United States Steel Corporation, brought three magnificent diamonds from Europe, valued at \$17,000, to the customs officials upon arrival here, and Collector Bidwell had to send two of his best men to get an interview with Mr. Schwab at the breakfast table.

The story has just become known. The stones are officially described as follows:

One cut marquis shape. Another cut pear shape. Third cut egg shape. Value of stones, \$17,000, finest blue color and of magnificent cut.

Mr. Schwab brought them to this country to have them mounted. The stones were taken to the jewelry store of Mr. Bidwell, who is in the diamond brokerage business, with branches in London and Paris.

According to the story told to-day, Collector Bidwell was informed a few weeks ago that Mr. Schwab had brought these stones into the country and had failed to have them regularly declared through the Custom House.

The collector sent Mr. Bidwell, Mr. Stewart, and William H. Theobald, to see Mr. Schwab.

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Woman for Whom Chipp Said He Stole \$30,000 Disappears.

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"Look out for Mrs. Katherine Shepard, forty-four years old, 5 feet 7 inches tall, rather stout, regular features, dark hair, streaked with gray, dark complexion, wore a black skirt, purple waist, three-quarter length Melton coat, round felt hat, black lace shoes. Missing from her home, No. 859 West One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, since Sunday afternoon."

Mrs. Shepard's disappearance was reported to-day at the Morrisania Police Station. The young man went there this morning and told Sergeant Ward his mother had been so worked up over the notoriety and the expectation that she would be called as a witness and be subjected to an examination that would be shameful to her that she had killed herself.

Young Shepard left his home in the afternoon and when he returned at night his mother had retired. He heard her moving about her room as early as 1 o'clock this morning.

When he got up at 9 o'clock she had disappeared, taking with her an alligator hand satchel containing some clothing. The son thinks from this indication that she had planned her departure, intending to stay away some time.

Despite this the young man seems to fear that his mother had made away with herself. The police are inclined to believe that she has run away to avoid being a witness against Chipp.

The son thinks that the mother's mind has been affected by the constant surveillance to which she has been subjected since the scandal came out. He believes she watched the house and all the neighbors have been running in like a flock of sheep.

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